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November 30, 2005

Mr. Dennis Ware Plateau Mining Corporation P.O. Box 30 Helper, Utah 84526

Subject:

Reconnaissance Inspection - Willow Creek Mine

Dear Mr. Ware:

On November 8, 2005 I met with you and conducted a reconnaissance inspection in regards to the UPDES Permit No. UTG040012. Specifically I observed the sediment pond and the reclaimed landscaping, as well as a visual tour of the former mining operations and receiving waters.

Enclosed is a copy of the inspection reports for your records. If you have any questions, please contact me at (801) 538-6779 or by e-mail at jstudenka@utah.gov.

Sincerely,

Jeff Studenka, Environmental Scientist

Permits & Compliance Section

Eagle Students

Enclosures

cc (w/encl): Darcy O'connor, EPA Region VIII

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	Section B: Facility		
Name and Location of Facility Inspected		Entry Time 1:15 PM	Permit Effective Date 05-01-2003
PLATEAU MINING CORP. WILLOW CREEK MINE, HELPER, UT		Exit Time/Date	Permit Expiration Date
		1:30 PM/11-8-05	04-30-2008
Name(s) of On-Site Representative(s)	Title(s)		Phone No(s)
Dennis Ware	Controller and Adminis	strative Manager	435-472-4737
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Name, Address of Responsible Official	Title		
Dennis Ware Controller and Administrative Manager			
Plateau Mining Corp. Willow Creek Mine P.O. Box 30			
P.O. 60x 30 Helper, UT 84526	Phone No.		Contacted
·	435-472-4737	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Yes
	Section C: Areas Evaluated D		
	atisfactory, M = Marginal, U = Unsati		S Operations & Maintenance
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Section D: Sur	mmary of Findings/Comments (Att	ach additional sheets if necessar	γ)
NA = not applicable The purpose for the site visit was to perform a reconna now and all but one on the discharge points (001A) ha 001A (sedimentation pond) followed by the receiving woutfall 001A will discharge in the foreseeable future. A facility is close to being sold to the College of Eastern active until the Phase III bond release has been approximately approximately active until the Phase III bond release has been approximately and Signature(s) of Inspector(s) JEFF STUDENKA	ve been reclaimed. A tour of the vaters of Willow Creek. There hall other outfalls have been remo Utah and he inquired as to the size. There were no deficiencies. Agency/Office/Telephone (801) 538-6779	e facility included observing the as been no discharge from this wed and inactivated due to the tatus of the UPDES permit upo	e reclaimed landscaping and the outfall facility in many years and it is unlikely that reclamation. Mr. Ware indicated that the on the sale. The UPDES permit will remain
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Signature of Reviewer MIKE HERKIMER, MANAGER PERMITS & COMPLIANCE SECTION	Agency/Office (801) 538-6058 DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY		12/1/05
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